

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor Fr. Roger Abadano

Deacon Robert Kruse

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 15, 2021

Our Mission Statement: St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Community strives to be an instrument of peace and love in Amherst County through fellowship in the Eucharist and service to the poor, the youth, the stranger and the un-churched, in cooperation with other Christian churches.

Readings

Reading I: 1 Chronicles 15:3-4

Psalm: Psalm 132

Response: "Lord, go up to the place of your rest, you and the ark of your holiness."

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 15:54b-57

Gospel: Luke 11:27-28



Prayer List

WE PRAY TO THE LORD...Becky Baudaillier, Flora Brabo, Maria Brabo, Donna Brewster, Jean Camm, Honey Furfaro, Jennifer Furfaro, Carolyn Greaves, Jordan Greaves, Bob Green & Family, Phil Greenwood, Janet Hollingsworth, Christine Horwege, Tom Hunnicutt, Beverly Infante, Wayne Mundy, Gene Onestinghel, Parker Onestinghel, Pat Onestinghel, Lori Ann Pompie, Marti Sanita, Rick Shoman, Cochise Suarez, Claudia Szarnicki, Meghan Thomas, Angus Topfer, Kevin Williams, and Tillie & George Winfield. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS.**

Mass Intentions

August 14: For: +Mary Ann Antz req: Bill & Rose Barcosky
For: +James Willard req: Sandy Brown

Gospel Message

All the feast days of Mary mark the great mysteries of her life and her part in the work of redemption. The central mystery of her life and person is her divine motherhood, celebrated both at Christmas and a week later (Jan. 1) on the feast of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. The Immaculate Conception (Dec. 8) marks the preparation for that motherhood, so that she had the fullness of grace from the first moment of her existence, completely untouched by sin. Her whole being throbbled with divine life from the very beginning, readying her for the exalted role of mother of the Savior. The Assumption completes God's work in her since it was not fitting that the flesh that had given life to God himself should ever undergo corruption. The Assumption is God's crowning of His work as Mary ends her earthly life and enters eternity. The feast turns our eyes in that direction, where we will follow when our earthly life is over. --Excerpted from Fr. Clifford Stevens in *Catholic Heritage*

St. Francis News and Notes...

- Please welcome back Fr. Biber to St. Francis. He will be our celebrant on Saturday.
- We celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary this weekend.
- Friday rosary at 10 am continues for Father Roger as we pray for his return. Please join us!
- Please note: The Diocese is not mandating face coverings at this time. It is optional, but if a mask is required in the future, you will be notified by the parish office.

Ministry Schedule

Aug. 14 Lector 1: Karen Baxter

Lector 2: Jim Meade

Eucharistic Minister: Larry Lamanna

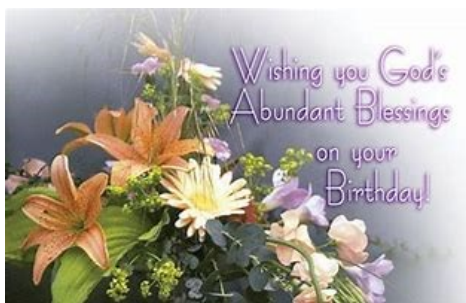
Gifts: Bill & Rose Barcosky

Ushers: Marilyn Gilbert/Glenn Johnson

Altar Serving: Patti Highley

August Birthdays

Dave McGarry	1
Jerry Sanita	2
Mary Greenwood	13
Bill Chesney	18
William Newcomb	21
David Swift	21
Yvonne Westcott	22
Robert Hieber	25
Jacob Cope	26
Mary-Caroline Cockerham	30



Mass Times: Sat., 5:00 pm **Reconciliation:** Sat., 4:30pm –4:50pm & by appt.

Office Hours: Tues. 11:00-3 pm; Wed. 1:00-3:30 pm; Fri. 11:00-3 pm **Office phone:** 434-946-2053

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